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1. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL --

ECOSOC CONCLUDED ITS SESSION MAY 13 AFTER RECOMMENDING WITHOUT A VOTE THAT THE GA PROCLAIM 1978 AS INTERNATIONAL ANTI-APARTHEID YEAR. WITHOUT VOTE IT WAS DECIDED TO REFER TO IFAD IN ROME A DRAFT AGREEMENT INTENDED TO BRING THAT NEW AGENCY INTO RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UN AS A SPECIALIZED AGENCY. ALGERIA HAD PROPOSED AN AMENDMENT, WHICH IT DID NOT PRESS TO A VOTE, AND THE COUNCIL AGREED "TO TAKE NOTE OF" RATHER THAN "ENDORSE" THE REPORT AND TRANSMIT THE DRAFT AGREEMENT TO IFAD FOR ITS APPROVAL. THE COUNCIL ALSO TOOK ACTION ON OTHER HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS, INCLUDING MATTERS REALTING TO SOUTHERN AFRICA, ISRAELI-OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND CHILE. THE NEXT SESSION IS SCHEDULED FROM JULY 6 TO AUG. 5 IN GENEVA.

ON OTHER HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS, ECOSOC (APPROVED WITHOUT VOTE
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UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED): RECOMMENDED THAT THE GA CONSIDER THE DESIREABILITY OF EXERCISING ITS POWERS, RECOGNIZED BY THE ICJ IN 1971, AS ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR NAMIBIA, EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA -- 36-0-5; DREW ATTENTION OF THE GA AND SC TO THE "DESIRABILITY OF ADOPTING SPECIFIC MEASURES," INCLUDING CHAPTER VII, "WITH A VIEW TO PUTTING AN END TO THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA BY SOUTH AFRICA" -- 43-1(US)-5(CANADA, FRANCE, FRG, ITALY, UK), WITH BANGLADESH, JAPAN, KENYA, PAKISTAN AND SOMALIA ABSENT; RECOMMENDED THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MAKE A THOROUGH STUDY OF QUESTIONS MENTIONED IN GA RES 31/127, SUCH AS IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENTS DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN ALIEN WORKERS; CONDEMNED THE "CONTINUED GROSS INFRINGEMENTS OF TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE," AND CALLED FOR THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALL TRADE UNIONISTS NOW DETAINED IN THE AREA; COMMENDED THE HRC "FOR ITS VIGILANCE AND FOR ACTION CARRIED ON IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES" AND ASKED THE HRC TO PURSUE THOSE EFFORTS -- 35-2(CANADA, US)-11;

APPEALED TO ALL STATES TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ACCELERATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONDITIONS TO PROMOTE THE UNRESTRICTED ENJOYMENT OF ALL HUMAN RIGHTS IN "STATES WITH DIFFICULT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS"; AND NOTED HRC'S WORK CONCERNING DRAFT GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION IN RESPECT OF PERSONS BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK.

IN OTHER ACTION, THE COUNCIL: APPROVED THE HRC DECISION TO EXTEND THE MANDATE OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE; APPROVED THE HRC DECISION TO EXTEND THE MANDATE OF ITS WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA AND ASKED IT TO INQUIRE INTO THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS AND "POLICE BRUTALITY AGAINST PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS"; REQUESTED UNESCO TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON TEACHING OF HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD; APPROVED HRC'S MOVE TO SET UP A FIVE-MEMBER WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE SITUATIONS INVOLVING CONSISTENT GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS THAT MIGHT BE REFERRED TO IT BY THE SUBCOMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF

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DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES; INVITED THE SYG TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY ON INTERNATIONAL DIMENSIONS OF THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT AS A HUMAN RIGHT; AND ADOPTED PROCEDURAL DECISIONS ON ALLEGATIONS REGARDING INFRINGEMENTS OF TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN THE BAHAMAS, SAUDI ARABIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

ECOSOC ALSO ADOPTED A RESOLUTION WITHOUT VOTE ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE FOR ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID, WELCOMING NIGERIA'S OFFER TO HOST THE AUG. 22-26 MEETING IN LAGOS; APPROVED 33-POINT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE NEXT SESSION; AND DECIDED THAT THE LA FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES COULD PARTICIPATE ON AN AD HOC BASIS IN THE COUNCIL'S DELIBERATIONS ON QUESTIONS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ITS ACTIVITIES.

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2. COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL --

THE COMMITTEE, WHICH IS CONCERNED WITH PROGRESS MADE IN CARRYING OUT THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE SECOND UN DEVELOPMENT DECADE, OPENED ITS SESSION MAY 16 BY ELECTING HAHMI (INDIA) AS CHAIRMAN AND SPROETE (GDR) AS ONE OF THREE VICE CHAIRMEN. IT ALSO AGREED TO POSTPONE ITS SUBSTANTIVE WORK FOR ONE WEEK AFTER THE CHAIRMAN POINTED OUT THAT MANY DELEGATIONS WERE BUSY THIS WEEK IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON RESTRUCTURING.

3. COMMITTEE FOR SPECIAL GA ON DISARMAMENT --

THE COMMITTEE HEARD THE VIEWS MAY 16 OF BANGLADESH, PERU, BRAZIL, MEXICO, INDIA AND MONGOLIA. HIGHEST PRIORITY WAS ACCORDED TO NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT BY BANGLADESH, PERU, BRAZIL AND INDIA. BANGLADESH AND BRAZIL IN PARTICULAR NOTED NEED FOR EQUAL ACCESS BY ALL STATES TO PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. PERU AND BANGLADESH CALLED FOR STRENGTHENING THE UN'S ROLE, MEXICO AND MONGOLIA SUPPORTED A WORLD DISARMEMENT CONFERENCE, AND MONGOLIA CALLED FOR EXPANDING THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE'S MEMBERSHIP. THE NONALIGNED PROPOSED AGENDA WAS SUPPORTED BY PERU AND MEXICO (WITH SOME MINOR REVISIONS).

BANGLADESH SAID THE ACID TEST OF SUCCESS OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE SPECIAL GA WOULD BE THEIR ABILITY TO PRODUCE A PROGRAM OF ACTION-ORIENTED RECOMMENDATIONS INCORPORATING SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES, MEANINGFUL PRIORITIES AND ACHIEVABLE TARGETS, AND WITH BUILT-IN MECHANISMS FOR COORDINATING, REVIEWING AND FOLLOWING UP ACTIONS.

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PERU BELIEVED THE SPECIAL SESSION MUST PRODUCE MAJOR GUIDELINES FOR ACTION. BRAZIL (CORREA DA COSTA) ENVISAGED A POLITICAL DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES AND A PROGRAM OF ACTION GEARED TOWARD THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL. HE ENUMERATED ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS FOR THE DECLARATION AND THOUGHT THE ACTION PROGRAM SHOULD ACCORD HIGHEST PRIORITY TO NEGOTIATIONS ON EFFECTIVE MEASURES FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT. MEXICO (GARCIA ROBLES) ALSO THOUGHT THE SESSION SHOULD PRODUCE A DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND A PROGRAM OF ACTION, AND HE SUGGESTED A NUMBER OF PRINCIPLES OF GREATEST RELEVANCE, WHICH INCLUDED PROGRESSIVE REDUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS, AND A LARGER UN ROLE. HE ADDED THAT THE STRUCTURE OF CCD SHOULD BE CHANGED SO THAT CHINE AND FRANCE COULD PARTICIPATE.

INDIA (JAIPAL) STATED THAT THE DOCTRINE OF DETERRENCE, WHICH HAD LED TO THE PRESENT INTOLERABLE SITUATION, SHOULD BE REEXAMINED SO AS TO PREVENT THE ESCALATION FROM CONVENTION TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS; THE NEGOTIATING MACHINERY OF NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH CONCILIATORY PROCEDURES BY WHICH NON-INVOLVED STATES COULD PLAY A USEFUL ROLE. HE HOPED THE SPECIAL SESSION "WOULD CONFINE ITSELF TO DISCUSSING THINGS CONCRETE AND REALIZEABLE RATHER THAN PROPAGANDA SLOGANS OR IDEALISTIC AND IMPRACTICAL BLUEPRINTS FOR DISARMAMENT." HE SUGGESTED OUTLAWING THE CONCEPT OF SURPRISE NUCLEAR ATTACK, AND HE HOPED THAT THE US AND SOVIET 1962 DRAFT TREATIES WOULD BE REVISED AND UPDATED SO THE SPECIAL SESSION MIGHT TAKE THEM INTO ACCOUNT.

4. UN WATER CONFERENCE RESOLUTION --

BY NOTE, THE SYG REQUESTED US VIEWS ON THE "MOST EFFECTIVE
AND FLEXIBLE MECHANISMS" FOR FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS FOR
INTERNATIONSL COOPERATION IN THE WATER SECTOR SO THAT THEY MAY
BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN HIS REPORT TO THE GA, WHICH WAS
REQUESTED BY THE UN WATER CONFERENCE. (USUN 1547)
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